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Akinari TAKAGI, ET AL.

Appln. No.: 09/838,219

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For: IMAGE OBSERVATION
APPARATUS AND SYSTEM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to continued examination on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows. The present Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Revised Format established by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, as permitted in the February 25, 2003 OG Notice entitled "Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted." (1267 OG 106).

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Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

Additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	142	MINUS	100	= 42	x \$9 \$18	\$ 756.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	5	MINUS	3	= 2	x \$40 \$84	\$ 168.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$135°/\$280						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$ 924.00

°Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

A check in the amount of \$ 924.00 is enclosed.

- Charge \$____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$____ to cover the fee for a____ month extension is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$____ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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